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> RE: White River Shale Project ACT/047/017 Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Godlove;

The Division would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your August 20, 1982 letter clarifying Division concerns relative to the mine development observed during an on-site tour.

The Division has noted the efforts that WRSOC has employed to limit construction to approved areas, to develop baseline information and to incorporate this information into realistic plans.

In our experience we have found that given the effort expended in the preparation and review of a plan, it is critical to its success that the proper relationship between planning and field implementation be stressed from the onset of construction. As you are well aware, the construction period is indeed, a dynamic one. Thus, its success is directly related to a continued effort brought to bear in turning concepts and plans into field reality. Please keep this in mind when correspondence from the Division is received which may carry a tone of urgency.

As previously mentioned, the Division appreciates the efforts WRSOC has demonstrated to effect energy development in the State of Utah with minimum impact on its environmental resources. In line with this, we have no doubt that the summary you've provided reflects WRSOC's commitment to working with the Division in achieving these worthy goals.

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The Division looks forward to a productive and enjoyable relationship with WRSOC. If at any time we can be of help to you, please don't hesitate to call on us.

Sincerely,

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